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C O N F I D E N T I A L NDJAMENA 2230

E O 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: PLO REPRESENTATIVE NDJAMENA

1. AT AIRPORT FAREWELL FOR DEPARTING SOVIET AMBASSADOR AUGUST 29 EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR INTRODUCED TO ME A YOUNG MAN WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS REPRESENTATIVE OF PALESTINIAN LIBERATION ORGANIZATION. I UNDERSTOOD HIS NAME TO BE MOHAMMED SIDAWI (PHONETIC), PRESUMABLY SAME INDIVIDUAL WHOM RELIABLE SOURCES REPORT HAD FAILED GAIN INTERVIEW TOMBALBAYE THIS SPRING.

2. SIDAWI STATED THAT HE HAD BEEN IN NDJAMENA FOR APPROXIMATELY THREEWEEKS AND THAT HE HAD COME FROM BEIRUT. IN RESPONSE TO MY QUESTION SIDAWI SAID THAT HE "HOPED" TO REMAIN IN NDJAMENA FOR A "LONG TIME", EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR VOLUNTEERED THAT SIDAWI'S WIFE AND YOUNG DAUGHTER ARE EXPECTED TO JOIN HIM SHORTLY.
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3. SIDAWI IS A YOUNG MAN, APPARENTLY IN EARLY THIRTIES, ABOUT 5'7", 145 LBS., PROMINENT BUCK TEETH. SPEAKSADEQUATE ENGLISH BUT PROFESSES NOT SPEAK FRENCH.

4. COMMENT: SIDAWI HAS NOT PARTICIPATED ANY OFFICIAL GOC FESTIVITIES OF PAST WEEK ON OCCASION FIRST ANNIVERSARY MNRCS. PRESUME ARAB AMBASSADORS, SIDAWI, OR BOTH DECIDED TAKE OCCASION INFORMAL GATHERING NDJAMENA'S SMALL DIPLOMATIC CORPS IN PUBLIC AIRPORT TO LAUNCH SIDAWI TENTATIVELY AMONG LOCAL CORPS.
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